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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Matter of the Application of:  
William James Palmteer

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2001 in which the Office has imposed a restriction requirement between:

Group I, claims 1-20, drawn to a solder coated article and

Group II, claims 21-23, drawn to a method of making a modified substrate.

Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-20, without traverse.

Applicant reserves the right to seek reinstatement of the non-elected process claims once the elected product claims are found allowable.

Respectfully submitted,  
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